

Town of Embden



Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons

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August 15, 2016

19:00 PM Meeting held at the Embden Town Office

Board Members In attendance: Scott LeHay, Elizabeth Pratt, & Charles Taylor

Board Members Absent: None

Other Officials Present: Eleanor Ketchum, Leo Mayo, and Michael Witham

Members of the Public Present: Timothy & Torry Wahler

Secretary: Bonnie Baker

1. Charles Taylor called the meeting to order at 19:05.
2. **Consent Agenda.**
 - 2.1. Approved the minutes of the Board of Selectpersons dated August 1, 2016 as written (3-0).
 - 2.2. Reviewed Warrant #2016-017 totaling \$155,320.17. (3-0).
3. **Appointments & Resignations:** None.
4. **Department Officials Reports.**
 - 4.1. **E-911 –**
 - 4.1.1. E. Ketchum mentioned that the street sign for the KCRd was put up on 8/1 and is still there, but is not in a good place. BOS discussed possible alternate location for the sign.
 - 4.2. **Winter Roads Contractor –** No report.
 - 4.3. **Animal Control –** No report.
 - 4.4. **Board of Assessors –** No Report.
 - 4.5. **Planning Board –**
 - 4.5.1. L. Mayo stated everything had gone fairly smoothly regarding the property on Alder Brook. He said that the CEO would need to review the property for a Flood Hazard permit before the PB could go any further. He added that he did not feel that the town needed an attorney yet. S. LeHay asked what type of business they were trying to put there. L. Mayo responded that it would be a marijuana growing facility.
 - 4.5.2. L. Mayo reminded the BOS there would be a Public Hearing held Thursday at 18:00 for a proposed subdivision.
- 4.6. **Local Plumbing Inspector –**
 - 4.6.1. L. Mayo said there was “nothing serious” going on.
- 4.7. **Board of Appeals –** No Report.
- 4.8. **Code Enforcement Officer –** No Report.
- 4.9. **Health Officer –** No report.

4.10. Road Commissioner –

4.10.1. M. Witham reported that the following work had been done.

- Slipp Road – ditching/resurfacing
- Mill Road – ¾" gravel
- Perkins Road – ¾" gravel
- Calcium – Spreading done by Jack Kaplan (Owe Jack Kaplan 30 bags of Calcium)
– Mill Road, Perkins Road & Slipp Road spraying by Michael Witham Trucking
- Placed gravel for residents' use at the Sand Shed
- Put speed limit sign on Bert Berry Rd
- Placed 'No Thru Trucks' sign on Fahi Pond Rd.

4.10.2. He stated he had a culvert on the back side of Dunbar that needed to be replaced.

4.10.3. He listed the following upcoming projects:

- Culvert replacement and ditching on WSRd by Kings Drive
- Culvert on Hancock Pond Rd on first big hill
- E. Creamer work on spots on the Wentworth Rd.
- Repair couple of washouts

4.10.4. He submitted a 5-year plan to the BOS for review. He stressed that the proposed budget would remain the same as it had been for the last 13 years.

4.10.5. C. Taylor mentioned that B. Miller was expecting to do the Slipp Road Bridge, and was hoping that the Summer Road budget might cover the cost of paving the approaches to the bridge. M. Witham agreed.

4.11. R.S.U. #74 – No Report.

4.12. Recreational Director – No Report.

4.13. Town Clerk/Treasurer –

4.13.1. B. Baker submitted the following:

- Treasurer's Report
- Treasurer's Report of Outstanding Liened Taxes
- Check Reconciliation (2)

4.14. Registrar of Voters.

4.14.1. B. Baker reported she was still working on getting the voting moved to the ECCTR, but would need to view whichever room that the group was willing to let her use, and have the area inspected for ADA compliance.

4.14.2. She gave the BOS a list of deadlines for getting the Withdrawal vote on the November election. She stressed that the BOS would need to sign the warrant at the September 19th meeting.

4.15. Tax Collector –

4.15.1. BOS reviewed written report.

4.16. Community Center –

4.16.1. Discuss Possible Replacement of Fire Panel at ECCTR:

4.16.1.1. BOS reviewed ER Field Quote (\$2,054). S. LeHay explained necessary repairs. Disc. Continued.

4.16.2. E. Pratt announced the following upcoming events:

Barbara ..	8/20
Bob Marley	8/27
Spaghetti Dinner	9/10
Ham Dinner	10/08

4.16.3. E. Pratt mentioned that the hot water issue was still not fixed.

4.17. Emergency Management Directors – No Report.

4.18. RSU Withdrawal Committee –

4.18.1. C. Taylor said he would provide the warrant for the upcoming vote.

4.19. Highway Department Exploratory Committee –

4.19.1. BOS and committee reviewed findings.

5. Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum.

5.1. Open Public Forum:

5.1.1. B. Baker asked whether it would be possible to look at decreasing the speed limit by the entrance to the ECCTR.

S. LeHay replied that there was nothing the BOS could do at this time.

6. New Business. None

7. Unfinished Business.

7.1. Cash Handling Policy. E. Pratt made a motion (2nd – C. Taylor) to adopt the Cash Handling policy. (3-0)

8. Correspondence. BOS reviewed correspondence.

9. Board of Selectpersons Concerns:

9.1. S. LeHay made a motion (2nd – E. Pratt) to authorize the Treasurer to prepay Wentworth Partners. (3-0)

10. Executive Session (Non-Public) (ME §405).

10.1.C. Taylor made a motion (2nd – E. Pratt) to enter ES pursuant to 36 MRS § 841(2). (3-0)

Entered Executive Session at 21:10

S. LeHay made a motion (2nd – E. Pratt) to come out of ES. (3-0)

Meeting resumed at 21:23

S. LeHay made a motion (2nd – E. Pratt) to approve an abatement in the amount of \$1,875.95. (3-0)

11. Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment

11.1. Next Regular Selectperson's Meeting – Monday, September 5, 2016.

11.2. Motion to adjourn made by E. Pratt (2nd – S. LeHay). (3-0) Adjourned 21:24.

Minutes submitted by:

Bonnie A. Baker, Town Clerk